

REMARKS

Entry of this amendment and supplement to the response filed on May 3, 2002 is respectfully requested.

By the present amendment, new dependent claims 6-8 are presented for examination. These claims include features found in claims 3-5 of this application, but are drafted in dependent form to include all limitations of the elected parent claim 1. As such, by virtue of incorporating all features of the elected parent claim 1, examination of these dependent claims 6-8 with the elected Group I claims 1 and 2 is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that there are any matters which can be resolved either by way of a telephone or personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 566.38877X00) and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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